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AT&T CORP. AND VERIZON FILE PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FROM THE SECOND IMPROVED TRS ORDER & NPRM, FCC 03-112

CC DOCKET NO. 98-67

CG DOCKET NO. 03-123

PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

Comments Due: October 20, 2003

Reply Comments Due: October 30, 2003

On September 23, 2003, AT&T Corp. ("AT&T") filed a petition for limited reconsideration to the Second Improved TRS Order & NPRM. AT&T requests that the Commission grant waivers to certain requirements adopted by the Commission in the Second Improved TRS Order & NPRM concerning emergency call handling and three-way calling.

On September 29, 2003, Verizon³ filed a petition for reconsideration⁴ to the Second Improved TRS Order & NPRM. Verizon also requests that the Commission reconsider the requirements regarding the handling of emergency calls at telecommunications relay centers.

Interested parties may file comments in this proceeding on or before October 20, 2003 and reply comments may be filed on or before October 30, 2003. When filing comments, please reference CG Docket No. 03-123. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment

¹ See AT&T, AT&T Petition for Limited Reconsideration and for Waiver, CC Docket No. 98-67, CG Docket No. 03-123, filed September 23, 2003.

² See Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, Second Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CC Docket 98-67, CG Docket No 03-123 (NPRM), FCC 03-123, 18 FCC Rcd 12379, (June 17, 2003) (Second Improved TRS Order & NPRM).

³ The local exchange carriers affiliated with Verizon Communications, Inc.

⁴ See Verizon, Petition for Reconsideration of Verizon, CC Docket No. 98-67, CG Docket No. 03-123, filed September 29, 2003.

Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24,121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Services mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554.

Parties who choose to file by paper should also submit their comments on diskette. These diskettes should be submitted, along with three paper copies, to: Dana Jackson, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, Disability Rights Office, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 6-C410 Washington DC 20554. Such a submission should be on a 3.5 inch diskette formatted in an IBM compatible format using Word 97 or compatible software. The diskette should be accompanied by a cover letter and should be submitted in "read only" mode. The diskette should be clearly labeled with the commenter's name, proceeding (including the lead docket number in this case, CC Docket No. 98-67, type of pleading (comment or reply comment), date of submission, and the name of the electronic file on the diskette. The label should also include the following phrase "Disk Copy - Not an Original." Each diskette should contain only one party's pleadings, preferably in a single electronic file. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this proceeding will be conducted as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which *ex parte* communications are subject to disclosure.

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